

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1683**

January 21, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the possession and distribution of testing equipment for identifying or analyzing the strength, components, or purity of a controlled substance for certain persons and governmental entities.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-425(a)(2), it is a Class A misdemeanor for unauthorized persons to use or possess with intent to use drug paraphernalia.
- The proposed legislation authorizes a person to legally use or possess with intent to use, testing equipment for identifying or analyzing the strength, components, or purity of a controlled substance.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-425(b)(2), it is a Class E felony for unauthorized persons to deliver, possess with intent to deliver, or manufacture with intent to deliver drug paraphernalia.
- The proposed legislation authorizes an entity that promotes scientifically proven ways of mitigating health risks associated with drug use and other high-risk behaviors to legally possess or distribute testing equipment for identifying or analyzing the strength, components, or purity of a controlled substance.
- There will not be a sufficient change in the number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant change in revenue or expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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